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Mr. Paul Stacey

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Dear Mr. Stacey:

As a former kayaker of Connecticut rivers and streams during the '70's and early '80's, I am writing to endorse the work of the DEP regarding the Streamflow Regulations. I completely support Classes 1-3; however, it is my understanding that there are no specific regulations written for rivers in Class 4. I would ask that the committee either establish regulations for Class 4 rivers and streams OR place those rivers in one of the other 3 classifications. I would hate to see any body of water in our State be permitted to die. As a golfer, I realize that I might be facing browner fairways and greens in the future with the implementation of these regulations. If I may be frank, my skills as a duffer probably won't even know the difference!

Thank you for your work on these regulations. May you and the rest of the DEP staff be steeled against the special interests of those who may not have the public interest entirely at heart.

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